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Dear Colleague

### **Forecast NTS Shrinkage Factors 2008/09**

I enclose a document entitled 'Forecast NTS Shrinkage Factors 2008/2009'. This document presents the provisional NTS Shrinkage factor forecast by month for the Gas Supply Year 2008/09 and is in accordance with Section N 2.2.2 (a) of the Uniform Network Code (UNC).

Should you have any queries with regard to this document, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely



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## Forecast NTS Shrinkage Factors 2008/2009

The purpose for this document is to present the provisional NTS Shrinkage Factors forecast by month for the Gas Supply Year 2008/2009. This is accordance with Section N 2.2.2 (a) of the Uniform Network Code (UNC TPDN). These factors are for indicative purposes **only** and will not bind National Grid, the Shrinkage provider or Users.

NTS Shrinkage Factor forecasts for 2008/2009 are produced by taking into account the three main shrinkage components: Own Use Gas (OUG) , largely compressor fuel, Unbilled Energy due to CV capping as a consequence of the Flow Weighted Average Calorific Value (FWACV) process and Unaccounted For Gas (UAG). The monthly forecast Shrinkage Factors (as a percentage of forecast NTS Throughput) for the Gas Year 2008/2009 are presented below in Table 1:

	<b>Shrinkage Factor (%)</b>
<b>October</b>	<b>0.30</b>
<b>November</b>	<b>0.41</b>
<b>December</b>	<b>0.59</b>
<b>January</b>	<b>0.45</b>
<b>February</b>	<b>0.38</b>
<b>March</b>	<b>0.54</b>
<b>April</b>	<b>0.42</b>
<b>May</b>	<b>0.58</b>
<b>June</b>	<b>0.72</b>
<b>July</b>	<b>0.81</b>
<b>August</b>	<b>0.28</b>
<b>September</b>	<b>0.38</b>

Table 1. Provisional Forecast Shrinkage Factors for 2008/2009